IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of Atty LSN-2382-33 Dkt. C# M# JUN 04 2007 TC/A.U. 3768 ~(`KIMURA Serial No. 10/775,131 Examiner: Yan-Zhen Wei Filed: February 11, 2004 Date: June 4, 2007 MRI APPARATUS AND ASL IMAGING TECHNIQUE Title: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. □ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 20 minus highest number previously paid for x \$50.00 20 (at least 20) =\$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$ Independent claims after amendment 8 minus highest number previously paid for (at least 3) =x \$200.00 \$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$ If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add \$360.00 (1203)/\$180.00 (2203) \$ Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251) Two Month Extensions \$450.00 (1252)/\$225.00 (2252) Three Month Extensions \$1020.00 (1253/\$510.00 (2253) Four Month Extensions \$1590.00 (1254/\$795.00 (2254) Five Month Extensions \$2160.00 (1255/\$1080.00 (2255) \$ Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$130.00 (1814)/ \$65.00 (2814) Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee \$180.00 (1806) \$ 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) 0.00 \$ Other: \$ 0.00 **TOTAL FEE \$** 0.00 CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM ATTACHED. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. 901 North Glebe Road, 11th Floor NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C. Arlington, Virginia 22203-1808 By Atty: Larry S. Nixon, Reg. No. 25,640 Telephone: (703) 816-4000 Facsimile: (703) 816-4100

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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated 05/04/2007 finding that applicant has claimed three patentably distinct species (i.e. no one of which is made "obvious" in view of any other or combination of others under 35 U.S.C. §103), applicant hereby elects for further substantive examination in the present application the patentably distinct Species II corresponding to Figure 13 and on which at least claims 9-13 and 19 are readable.

Respectfully submitted,

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